

## Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 CURACA 00060 312100Z

62

ACTION ARA-06

INFO OCT-01 SS-14 ISO-00 NSCE-00 NSC-05 INR-05 CIAE-00

SP-02 PRS-01 EUR-08 RSC-01 /043 W

----- 117155

R 311500Z JAN 75

FM AMCONSUL CURACAO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2136

INFO AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

AMCONSUL PARAMARIBO

AMEMBASSY CARACAS

AMCONSUL MARTINIQUE

C O N F I D E N T I A L CURACAO 0060K

LIMDIS

ARA-CAR FOR PALAZZOLO AND BURKE; CARACAS FOR THE AMBASSADOR;  
THE HAGUE FOR THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PINT, NA

SUBJECT: CUBAN INTERVENTION IN NETHERLANDS ANTILLES POLITICS

REFS: A) CURACAO 0330, JUNE 25, 1974; B) A-58, OCT. 20, 1973

1. AT A RECEPTION FOR THE LATIN AMERICAN PARLIAMENT, HOSTED BY THE GNA ON JAN. 29 PM EVERTSZ CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED ME THAT HE WAS DISTURBED THAT QTE MY SECURITY SERVICE HAS ADVISED ME THAT THEY HAVE RELIABLE INFORMATION THAT CUBA HAS SENT THE STAGGERING AMOUNT OF DOLS 250,000 U.S. TO THE FRENTE OBRERO PARTY FOR THE ISLAND ELECTIONS TO BE HELD ON APRIL 25, 1975. UNQTE. THE PM FURTHER ADDED THAT AS THE ELECTIONS WOULD BE HELD IN APRIL THAT HE WAS CONCERNED THAT EVEN MORE MONEY MIGHT BE FORTHCOMING FROM CUBA IN THE INTERVENING THREE MONTHS. HE SAID THAT HE WAS GREATLY CONCERNED THAT CUBA WAS SPENDING SUCH STAGGERING AMOUNTS ON ISLAND COUMCIL ELECTIONS IN THE NA. HE SAID THE ROUTE THROUGH WHICH THE MONEY CAME TO CURACAO WAS MOST DIFFICULT FOR HIS SECURITY SERVICE TO TRACE, BUT IT WAS STRONGLY SUSPECTED THAT THE COURIER SERVICE WAS SET UP  
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 CURACA 00060 312100Z

THROUGH ONE OF WILSON QTE PAPA UNQTE GODETT'S STRONG SUPPORTERS

AND COLLEAGUES NICHOLAAS QTE COLA UNQTE VERHEY WHO HAS LONG BEEN CLOSELY CONNECTED WITH UNDERWORLD ACTIVITIES IN CURACAO. (SEE CURACAO'S 0330.)

2. COMMENT: IT WAS OBGIOUS THAT THE PM WAS DEEPLY CONCERNED AND THAT HE FELT THAT THIS LARGE SUM OF MONEY COULD SERIOUSLY AFFECT THE OUTCOME OF THE ISLAND ELECTIONS WHICH MIGHT BE A SPRINGBOARD FOR THE FRENTE OBRERO PARTY UNDER PAPA GODETT, STRENGTHENING THEIR POSITION TO WHERE THEY COULD GAIN CONTROL OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT. PM EVERTSZ RECALLED ALSO THAT CUBA HAD PREVIOUSLY SENT LARGE SUMS OF MONEY TO FRENTE OBRERO DURING THE 1973 NATIONAL ELECTIONS. (SEE CURACAO'S A-58). OTHER SOURCES HAVE SINCE THE 1973 ELECTION CONFIRMED THE VIEW THAT THE FRENTE OBRERO PARTY RECEIVED CONSIDERABLE MONEY FROM CUBA DURING THE 1973 ELECTION AND ALSO, TO A MUCH LESSER DEGREE, VENEZUELA IN ALL PROBABILITY DONATED FUNDS TO THE PM'S PARTY (NVP-U) TO ASSIST THEM. THE AMOUNTS THAT MAY HAVE COME FROM VENEZUELA HAVE NEVER BEEN STATED. IT IS APPARENT THAT THE APRIL 1975 ISLAND COUNCIL ELECTIONS ARE GAINING CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE. THE ISLAND ELECTIONS COULD STRONGLY INFLUENCE THE FUTURE OF THE NA CENTRAL GOVERNMENT.

3. THERE ARE NO REPORTS SO FAR THAT VENEZUELA HAS SENT MONEY FOR THE 1975 ISLAND ELECTIONS. VENEZUELA'S INTEREST IN NU POLITICS (WHILE NOT TO BE CONDONED) IS UNDERSTANDABLE IN THE LIGHT OF THE NA OIL REFINERIES IMPORTANCE TO HER AND HER OFFSHORE INTERESTS. CUBA'S INTERVENTION APPEARS A PURE RAW COMMUNIST POWER PLAY, USING THE CARROT INSTEAD OF THE CLUB, WHICH IF IT IS EVENTUALLY SUCCESSFUL WOULD LEAVE DEMOCRACY AND FREE ENTERPRISE IN THE NA WITH THE SHORT END OF THE STIC AND MOST CERTAINLY NOT BE IN U.S. INTERESTS.  
LOFTON

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** Z  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** INTERVENTION, ELECTIONS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 31 JAN 1975  
**Decaption Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Decaption Note:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** GolinoFR  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1975CURACA00060  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** GS  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** D750037-0470  
**From:** CURACAO  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1975/newtext/t1975014/aaaaactc.tel  
**Line Count:** 93  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ACTION ARA  
**Original Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** LIMDIS  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** LIMDIS  
**Reference:** 75 CURACAO 0330, 75 JUNE 25, 75 1974, 75 A-58, 75 OC20, 75 1973  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** GolinoFR  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 05 JUN 2003  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <05 JUN 2003 by WorrelSW>; APPROVED <09 JUN 2003 by GolinoFR>  
**Review Markings:**

Margaret P. Grafeld  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
05 JUL 2006

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** CUBAN INTERVENTION IN NETHERLANDS ANTILLES POLITICS  
**TAGS:** PFOR, PINT, NA, CU, FRENTE OBRERO  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006